(c) Exploration and production activities are undertaken by ONGC and OIL. The Plan expenditure incurred by these units for these purposes is as under;

	(Rs. in crores)	
Year	ONGC	OIL
1985-86.	2123	182
1986-87.	2214	191
1987-88. (Targetted)	2056	210

Monitoring the production of drugs

1095. SHRIMATI RATAN KUMARI: Will the Minister of INDUSTRY be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that Government are monitoring the production of certain drugs;

(b) if so, what are the names of the drugs for which the production is being monitored;

(c) in respect of which these drugs the country has attained self sufficiency during the last Ave years;

(d) whether it is a fact that the production of each of these drugs have gone up substantially; and

(e) what was the production of each drug during 1980 and 1986 separately?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE DEPARTMENT OF INDUSTRIAL DEVELOPMENT IN THE MINISTRY OF INDUSTRY (SHRI M. ARUNACHALAM): (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) This Ministry monitors the production of 87 bulk drugs, the names of which are available in the Performance Budget of this Ministry for the year 1987-88, copy of which was placed on the Table of the House.

'(c) Country has attained self-sufficiency in the production of a wide-range of drugs such as chloramphenicol powder, sulpha drugs, Vitamin C,, B, E, Aspirin, PAS and its salts, Chloroquin phosphate, Diazepam, Pipera zine and Salts etc.

(d) out of the monitored bulk, drugs, 68 have registered increase in production during the year 1986-87 in comparison to the production during 1980-81.

(e) Details of production of moni tored bulk drugs for the years 1980 to 1986 are available in the Perform ance Budgets of this Ministry for the-respective years, copies of which were placed on the Table of the House.

Thermal power Plants at Kayamkul and Brahmapura in Kerala

1096. SHRI M. A: BABY; Will the Minister of ENERGY be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Central Electricity Authority has been approached for setting up thermal power plants at Kayamkual and Brahmapura in Kera la;

(b) if so, when and what are the details thereof; and

(c) at what stage these proposals rest at present?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE DEPARTMENT OF POWER IN THE MINISTRY OF ENERGY (SHRIMATI SUSHILA ROHATGI): (a) and (b) Project feasibility reports in respect of a coal-based thermal station (2x210 MW) at Kayam-kulam and an oil (ESHS) based station at Cochin (Brahmapura) comprising of multiple units of diesel generating sets, were received in the Central Electricity Authority (CEA) in-August, 1987 and July, 1987 respectively, from the Kerala" State Electricity Board (KSEB). The estimated cost of the proposed coal-based station at Kayamkulam is Rs. 584. 81

crores and of the proposed oil-based station Rs. 75. 80 crores.

(c) The proposal in respect of a thermal station at Klayamkual has been techno-economically approved the CEA, subject to confirmation of availability of water and clearance from the environmental angle being obtained by the KSEB. The proposed oil based project at Cochin (Brahma-pura) could be considered for techno-economic clearance by the OEA after the statutory requirements as per Section 29 of the Electricity (Supply) Act, 1948, have been complied with by the KSEB, all necessary inputs, including those relating to availability of fuel *on* a sustained basis and of water etc. have been tied up and requisite clearances including clearance from the environmental angle, have become available.

STD Facility in Kerala

1097. SHRI M. A. BABY: Will the Minister of COMMUNICATIONS be pleased to state whether any place in Kerala State is proposed to be pro vided with STD facility during 1988-89; if so, what are the details there of?

THE MINISTER OF ENERGY AND THE MINISTER OF COMMUNICATIONS (SHRI VASANT SATHE): Yes, Sir. The following places in Kerala State are proposed to be provided with STD facility during 1988-89; Chittur, Haripad, Kanjirappally, Ko-lencherry, Karungapally, Mala, Man-narghat, Munnar, Nedumangad, Nile-swar, ilambur, Pandalam, shoranur, Vadakkancherry.

Ppers submitted at Oil Conference held in Delhi

1098. SHRI NARAYAN KAR; Will the Minister of PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS be pleased to state:

(a) whether any papers or docu ments had been submitted to the Oil Conference held in New Delhi on 11th January, 1988 by Dr. R. C. Fuloria, an expert;

(b) if so, what are the salient features thereof;

(c) whether any action has been taken on the said papers; and

(d) if so, what are the details the-reof?

THE DEPUTY MINISTER IN THE MINISTRY OF PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS (SHRI RAFIQUE-ALAM): (a) A paper on 'oil and gas resources of North East India' was presented by Dr. R. C. Fuloria[1], an officer of Oil India Limited, in a Con-r ference organised by 'Urja' on 11-1-1988, in New Delhi.

(b) In the paper presented Dr. Fuloria had indicated that about 5000 million tonnes of oil and oil equivalent of gas in Upper Assam is yet to be discovered. The corresponding reserves to be established in Naga Hills and Tripurai-Manipur region is-1000 million tonnes and 5000 million tonnes respectively. Therefore, according to the author, the North-East India alone can remove the deficit indigenous petroleum production in the country before the end of the present century.

(c) and (d) The views expressed in the said paper are th$_e$ personal views of the author. No action in the matter is required since ONGC and Oil India Limited «re already carrying out an exploration programme in the North Eastern Region in a well conceived manner.

Growth rate of industries

1099. SHRI A. G. KULKARNI; Will the Minister of INDUSTRY be pieased to state;

(a) the growth rate of industries during 1984-85. 1985-86 and 1986-87 and particularly sectoral growth rate of various industries which contribute largely to the statistical computation;

(b) whether it is a fact that consumer industries like electronics, scooters etc., are growing faster *as* compar-